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 Applicant: R. Eric MONTGOMERY
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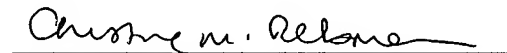
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "B"

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination and the mailing of the first Office Action on the merits for the above application, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks, and requests that the Examiner pass this application to allowance.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.